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Hall County Quilters Guild

November 2026



A quilt by Carrie Davis

Upcoming Dates

GUILD MEETING TIMES
DOORS OPEN AT 9:15 AM
MEETING STARTS AT 9:30 AM
PROJECT DAYS START AT 10:00 AM

Nov 9 - DATE CHANGED DUE TO ELECTION DAY - Long Arm Quilter Round Table Discussion
November 16 - Project Day
December 7 - Christmas Luncheon

From Our President

One of the things I've been thinking about this year is what it means to be a member of the Hall County Quilters Guild and how we can continue to make this a great Guild. Of course, there are the things that have always made our Guild special: the friendships we build, the chance to spend time with people who share our love of quilting, educational programs that help us learn and grow, inspiring speakers and workshops, community service opportunities, and plenty of chances to see some really beautiful quilts.

I'd especially like us to find more opportunities to get to know one another, work together, and involve more of our members in the life of the Guild. A guild is at its best when everyone feels that it belongs to them—not just the board or the people who always seem to volunteer first.

Remember - due to the church being an Elections Polling Place we have moved our meeting to November 9th!



See you soon!
Chris Anderson

PROGRAMS

November 2026 -

Long Arm Roundtable (members that long arm for others) approx. 25-30 minutes. This is a chance to get to know our Long Armers.

Questions for the panel. (this will allow you to have your answers ready so we can fit the information into the 30 min time limit)

1. How long have you been long arming?
2. On average how many quilts do you long arm a year?
3. Name your favorite quilting memory you created for a customer.
4. What is a big frustration with quilting for others?
5. Did you start making quilts and long arming at the same time or did you piece quilts and then add long arming later?
6. What was the major factor in deciding to long arm for others?

We will be supporting Eagle Ranch by participating in the Eagle Ranch Kindred Collection Christmas event. It will be a festive, drop-In Christmas market created to support ER's Foster Care Initiative. The event will take place on Wednesday, November 12th from 3:30 pm - 7:00 pm at the Lodge at Eagle Ranch. All proceeds from the sale will support the guild. MEMBERS CAN SELL THEIR OWN ITEMS TOO!! The remainder of the program time will be setting prices and securing the items for the Eagle Ranch Kindred Collection Christmas event. Note: We would love to have help for our table. I will have a sign up sheet to help set up, man the booth and take things down. They are selling tickets for this event so this would be a good way to get in and check it out.

ALSO - Remember to bring your oldest UFO to share with the group during show and tell. Why is it still a UFO? Are you just done with it and want to let someone else take it over? Something go wrong or not the way you expected and need some help on ideas for how to get it back this is the time

Thanks,
Dean Ray

FESTIVAL OF TREES PROGRAM

Thank you to everyone who has already donated ornaments for the Christmas tree to be displayed and auctioned off at the Festival of Trees in Duluth in November. If you have any ornaments or items to be placed under the tree, they need to be brought to the next Guild meeting on November 9th.

If you are bringing something other than ornaments for the tree, please email me ASAP a detailed description (name and size) of what you are bringing so that I can get it added to the itemized list that I have to submit by November 7th.

If you have any questions at all, please let me know.

Thanks,
Dawn Matthieu





Bring your Christmas Ornaments!

NOVEMBER Birthdays!



11/2	Johnson, Margaret
11/10	Brisbois, Trisha
11/13	Pope, Teri
11/16	Payne, Mary
11/19	Osterman, Joyce
11/20	Yeatts, Debbie
11/23	Ellison, Jane
11/28	Beard, Brenda
11/29	Hut, Donna

PROJECT DAY

This Project Day, on November 16th, we will be having a "Finish your Christmas Projects/ Open Sew Day". Bring whatever project you want to work on and bring a lunch. Or since Community Service needs more comfort and mastectomy pillows, pick up a couple of kits and you can work on those. This will be our a last Project Day for the year.

A couple of project day reminders: We will start at 10 am. Please wear your name badge so we can get to know each other. Also, do not plan to leave project day between 12:15 & 12:45 as the daycare is dismissing at that time.

Thanks!!
Lisa Vieira



EAGLE RANCH

We have kits (60x72) available at each meeting and new "panel" kits premiered recently with grand jubilation! Appreciate all your time and hard work. Let us know if you have questions about the kits.

Sandy Pomper (and crew)

COMMUNITY SERVICE

After making deliveries to two infusion centers in recent days, the supply of comfort and mastectomy pillows is greatly diminished (they are the most-wanted items by patients).....so please pick up some kits for these pillows at our November meeting; you can bring them to our December Luncheon, or if it's more convenient, bring them in January. Thank you, thank you!

Thanks, once again, to everyone who donated fabric and fiberfill; cut kits; and sewed pillows, walker caddies and lap quilts.....they are very much appreciated at the infusions centers, assisted living and nursing homes!

Margaret Johnson and Susan Steele



The Guild is looking for members to take over the Secretary and President 2 positions. These positions will be for next 2 years. If you are interested, check with our current President, Chris Anderson.

HOLIDAY LUNCHEON

The Christmas Party is starting at 11:00 a.m. on December 7th . Please sign up to bring an appetizer, salad, dessert or bread at the November meeting. More information is to come.

Also, the Birthday Raffle Committee is raffling off a Accuquilt GO! Baby with dies and mats (over $300 value) at the luncheon. You can purchase a ticket for $2 at the November meeting and at the luncheon. See picture below for items in the Raffle.

I hope you will come and join your fellow members for time to get to know each other better. Let's have fun and celebrate the season together!





GUILD CHALLENGE 2027 BY THE PIECEMAKERS OF SEVIER COUNTY

Homes of Every Kind

Your guild is invited to participate in the 2027 Guild Challenge! The theme celebrates the endless ways we can imagine a home — not just the ones built with walls and windows, but the ones found in unexpected places.

From cozy cottages and bustling city skylines to a snail's shell, a birdhouse, or any tiny nook where life might settle in. Whether stitched from bricks, branches, or the fabric of your imagination, every home tells a story worth stitching. Let your creavity wander and bring to life a home of any kind — whimsical, heartfelt, or wonderfully strange. We can't wait to see what you dream up.

Your guild must have a minimum of 5 entries to qualify.

The Guild Challenge entries will be shown as a special display and judged as a group at the 2027 show.

Samantha Barton, A Mountain Quiltfest Guild Challenge Chair

Hall County Quilt Guild Meeting Minutes
Monday, October 5, 2026 ~ Submitted by Trisha Brisbois, Secretary

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Meeting called to order and guests welcomed by Chris Anderson

Welcome Committee – Trisha Brisbois and Bobby Martin

- Guests welcomed and drawing for small notions/prizes

Program: Linda Hahn, Frog Hollow Designs

Trunk show and sewing tips.

Committee Reports:

President's Report:

- Nominations for President #2 will be accepted by the Board. Chris Anderson is rotating off. Jan Lucas will move into the President #1 position.
- Nominations for Secretary will be accepted by the Board. Trisha Brisbois is stepping down. All nominees will be brought to the Guild Membership for a vote.
- Due to the fact that we have been unable to secure a Nominating Chairperson, all nominations for these positions may be brought to any Executive Board Member. Reference Article 5; Section 3, Hall County Quilt Guild By-Laws.

Secretary/Minutes – Trisha Brisbois

- Minutes are posted in the Newsletter on the Hall County Quilt Guild Website.
- Motion to accept August Meeting Minutes by Dennice Kopp, 2nd Jan Lucas
- Motion to accept September Meeting Minutes by Lindsey Martin, 2nd Becky Munteanu

Treasurer Report – Dennice Kopp

- Financial report is posted on the Guild Website.
- Previous month's reports are all caught up.

Next Guild Meeting –

- **Monday, November 9, 2026**

Newsletter Report/Website – Jenny Grandfield and Debbie Dill

- Remember to submit information/articles for the newsletter ASAP. Information, reports, and articles need to be submitted at least 2 weeks in advance of newsletter publication.
- email newsletter info to newsletter@hcqg.org
- Be sure to look at the **"For Sale"** section of our Website whether you're looking to sell or buy items!

Eagle Ranch Report – Sandy Pomper

- Sew binding on with machine, Do Not wash.
- Quilt size is 60 x 72
- Kits were available to take home.
- Show and tell for Eagle Ranch quilts finished last month
- Please return plastic bags your kit was in, with the finished quilts
- 5 Finished Eagle Ranch quilts were shown

Programs Report – Becky Munteanu and Dean Ray

- Round Table discussion with Long Arm Quilters
- December Luncheon, Sign-up at Membership Table.

Membership Report – Marie Pasternak, Carol Harting and Brenda Beard

- Please wear your name tags! Find someone new and introduce yourself!
- 48 Members present, 2 Guest

Community Service Report – Margaret Johnson, Susan Steele

- Comfort pillows, Walker Caddies, seat belt comfort pillow and lap quilt kits available
- Comfort pillows and mastectomy pillows are needed

Retreat – Bobby Martin

- ALL Double rooms are filled. 2 single rooms available. $380/single room.
- A waiting list has been made. Contact Bobby to add your name if interested, cancelations always happen.
- Retreat is scheduled for February 9-12, 2027
- 2-person room, $280 per person (12 double rooms)
- 1-person room, $380 per person (2 single rooms)

Birthday Raffle – Sharon Weir and Dennice Kopp

- Thank you for the donations
- Remember to bring in a donation for the raffle for your birthday month.

Project Day Report – Lisa Vieira, Susan Steele and Susan Langsdorf

- Project Day is on the 3rd Monday of the month from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.
  Bring your own lunch, Wear name badges please.
- Work on planned project or work on your current projects
- **November 16th,** Finish your Christmas Projects
- **December – NO Project Day**

Sunshine Report – Mary Payne

- Let Mary know if a card is needed for anyone.
- You can find her contact information on the website under Membership

<u>Announcements:</u>

Dog/Cat Beds for Humane Society – Chris Anderson

- **Please leave pet beds outside along the wall by the doors. Chris will gather them after the meeting.**
- Crate mats measure 12 x 18. Keep them floppy, don't over stuff them.

Quilts for Kids – Lisa Vieira

- **NEW** details about workshops!! Look for email/newsletter.
- Kits were available, and quilts are needed

Christmas Tree Raffle – Dawn Matthew

- Start making ornaments, garland and gifts to decorate the tree.
- Dawn will collect them at our meetings
- **Deadline for ornaments is the November Guild meeting**

Show and Tell –

- Several fun beautiful projects were shown.

Other information:

FREE TABLE – Remember to take any items that are left over from your donations on the free table.

November 14th, 3:30-7:30pm – Eagle Ranch hosting a craft show. Our guild will be entering a raffle quilt and Christmas items are needed to sell. All proceeds will benefit our guild. See Dean for info.

MeetingDismissed – Chris Anderson

October 25, 2026 Submitted by Trisha Brisbois, Secretary